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Bob,

I spoke last week with Bert about the BP Whiting spill (and he was very helpful, by the way), trying to get some background information and to find out what the Region's role would be, if any. It looks as though, thankfully, the situation has been contained and responded to, so I don't know if your office plans any formal response from an enforcement perspective.

If USEPA should decide to engage in any other activities regarding the refinery, including on how to prevent future similar occurrences, our office would be very appreciative of any effort to become involved. I know there had been some media reporting that U.S. Senators Durbin and Kirk might try to arrange a meeting of some kind, and if USEPA is made aware of that, we'd also be more than happy to participate if possible.

Thanks very much. I hope you're enjoying some nice Spring weather.

John

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